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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 6, line 30, replace " $\alpha_n(\rho_n) = (\alpha_{n-L}(\rho_n), \dots, \alpha_{n-1}(\rho_n))$ " with

--  $\hat{\alpha}_n(\rho_n) = (\hat{\alpha}_{n-L}(\rho_n), \dots, \hat{\alpha}_{n-1}(\rho_n))$  --.

Column 7, line 36, replace " $\alpha = (\alpha_{n-L}, \dots, \alpha_{n-1})$ " with --  $\tilde{\alpha} = (\tilde{\alpha}_{n-L}, \dots, \tilde{\alpha}_{n-1})$  --.

Column 7, line 50, replace " $\lambda_n(z_n, \alpha_n, \alpha) = (z_n - \alpha_n + \tilde{u}(\alpha))^2$ " with

--  $\tilde{\lambda}_n(z_n, a_n, \tilde{\alpha}) = (z_n - a_n + \tilde{u}(\tilde{\alpha}))^2$  --.

Column 7, line 55, replace " $\lambda_n(z_n, \alpha_n, \alpha)$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_n(z_n, a_n, \tilde{\alpha})$  --.

Column 7, line 64, replace " $\lambda_n(z_n, \alpha_n, \alpha)$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_n(z_n, a_n, \tilde{\alpha})$  --.

Column 7, line 65, replace " $\alpha_n(\rho_n)$ " with --  $\hat{\alpha}_n(\rho_n)$  --.

Column 7, line 67, replace " $\lambda_n(z_n, \alpha_n, \rho_n) = \text{sel}\{\Lambda_n(z_n, a_n, \rho_n), \alpha_n(\rho_n)\}$ "

with --  $\lambda_n(z_n, a_n, \rho_n) = \text{sel}\{\Lambda_n(z_n, a_n, \rho_n), \hat{\alpha}_n(\rho_n)\}$  --.

Column 8, line 2, replace " $\lambda_n(z_n, \alpha_n, \alpha)$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_n(z_n, a_n, \tilde{\alpha})$  --.

Column 8, line 17, replace " $\tilde{u}(\alpha)$ " with --  $\tilde{u}(\tilde{\alpha})$  --.

Column 8, line 20, replace " $\lambda_n(z_n, \alpha_n, \alpha)$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_n(z_n, a_n, \tilde{\alpha})$  --.

Column 9, line 19, replace " $\lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \alpha_j) = (z_{n,j} - a_{n,j} + \tilde{u}_j(\alpha_j))^2$ "

with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \tilde{\alpha}_j) = (z_{n,j} - a_{n,j} + \tilde{u}_j(\tilde{\alpha}_j))^2$  --.

Column 9, line 28, replace " $\alpha_j = (\alpha_{n-L,j}, \dots, \alpha_{n-1,j})$ " with --  $\tilde{\alpha}_j = (\tilde{\alpha}_{n-L,j}, \dots, \tilde{\alpha}_{n-1,j})$  --.

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Column 9, line 31, replace " $\alpha_j$ " with --  $\tilde{\alpha}_j$  --.

Column 9, line 33, replace " $\lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, \alpha_{n,j}, \alpha_j)$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \tilde{\alpha}_j)$  --.

Column 9, line 54, replace " $\lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, \alpha_{n,j}, \rho_n) = \text{sel}\{\Lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \alpha_{n,j}(\rho_n))\}$ " with --  $\lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \rho_n) = \text{sel}\{\Lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \hat{\alpha}_{n,j}(\rho_n))\}$  --.

Column 9, line 57, replace " $\lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, \alpha_{n,j}, \alpha_j)$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \tilde{\alpha}_j)$  --.

Column 9, line 58, replace " $\alpha_j$ " with --  $\tilde{\alpha}_j$  --.

Column 9, line 59, replace " $\alpha_{n,j}(\rho_n)$ " with --  $\hat{\alpha}_{n,j}(\rho_n)$  --.

Column 11, line 25, replace " $\alpha_{n-1,j}$ " with --  $\tilde{\alpha}_{n-1,j}$  --.

Column 11, line 27, replace " $\lambda_{n,j}(y_{n,j}, \alpha_{n,j}, \alpha_{n-1,j}) = (y_{n,j} - \alpha_{n,j} - f_{1,j} \alpha_{n-1,j})^2$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_{n,j}(y_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \tilde{\alpha}_{n-1,j}) = (y_{n,j} - a_{n,j} - f_{1,j} \tilde{\alpha}_{n-1,j})^2$  --.

Column 11, line 46, replace " $\alpha_{n-1,j}(\rho_n)$ " with --  $\hat{\alpha}_{n-1,j}(\rho_n)$  --.

Column 13, line 4, replace " $\lambda_n(z_n, \alpha_n, \alpha) = (z_n - a_n + \tilde{u}(\alpha))^2$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_n(z_n, a_n, \tilde{\alpha}) = (z_n - a_n + \tilde{u}(\tilde{\alpha}))^2$  --.

Column 13, line 16, replace " $\alpha = (\alpha_{n-L}, \dots, \alpha_{n-1})$ " with --  $\tilde{\alpha} = (\tilde{\alpha}_{n-L}, \dots, \tilde{\alpha}_{n-1})$  --.

Column 13, line 25, replace " $\lambda_n(z_n, \alpha_n, \alpha)$  using the survivor path  $\alpha_n(\rho_n)$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_n(z_n, a_n, \tilde{\alpha})$  using the survivor path  $\hat{\alpha}_n(\rho_n)$  --.

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Column 13, line 27, replace " $\lambda_n(z_n, \alpha_n, \rho_n) = \text{sel}\{\Lambda_n(z_n, a_n, \rho_n), \alpha_n(\rho_n)\}$ " with  
--  $\lambda_n(z_n, a_n, \rho_n) = \text{sel}\{\Lambda_n(z_n, a_n, \rho_n), \hat{\alpha}_n(\rho_n)\}$  --.

Column 13, line 30, replace " $\lambda_n(z_n, \alpha_n, \alpha)$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_n(z_n, a_n, \tilde{\alpha})$  --.

Column 13, line 32 " $\alpha$  and wherein  $\alpha_n(\rho_n)$ " with --  $\tilde{\alpha}$  and wherein  $\hat{\alpha}_n(\rho_n)$  --.

Column 13, line 60, before "from one" and after "branch" replace "metric" with  
-- metrics --.

Column 14, line 1, replace " $\lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, \alpha_{n,j}, \alpha_j) = (z_{n,j} - a_{n,j} + \tilde{u}_j(\alpha_j))^2$ " with  
--  $\tilde{\lambda}_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \tilde{\alpha}_j) = (z_{n,j} - a_{n,j} + \tilde{u}_j(\tilde{\alpha}_j))^2$  --.

Column 14, line 10, replace " $\alpha_j = (\alpha_{n-L,j}, \dots, \alpha_{n-1,j})$ " with --  $\tilde{\alpha}_j = (\tilde{\alpha}_{n-L,j}, \dots, \tilde{\alpha}_{n-1,j})$  --.

Column 14, line 18, replace " $\lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, \alpha_{n,j}, \rho_n) = \text{sel}\{\Lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}), \alpha_{n,j}(\rho_n)\}$ " with  
--  $\lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \rho_n) = \text{sel}\{\Lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}), \hat{\alpha}_{n,j}(\rho_n)\}$  --.

Column 14, line 20, replace " $\lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, \alpha_{n,j}, \alpha_j)$ " with --  $\tilde{\lambda}_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \tilde{\alpha}_j)$  --.

Column 14, line 22, replace " $\alpha_j$  and  $\alpha_{n,j}(\rho_n)$ " with --  $\tilde{\alpha}_j$  and  $\hat{\alpha}_{n,j}(\rho_n)$  --.

Column 14, line 42, replace " $\lambda_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, \alpha_{n,j}, \alpha_j) = (z_{n,j} - a_{n,j} + \tilde{u}_j(\alpha_j))^2$ " with  
--  $\tilde{\lambda}_{n,j}(z_{n,j}, a_{n,j}, \tilde{\alpha}_j) = (z_{n,j} - a_{n,j} + \tilde{u}_j(\tilde{\alpha}_j))^2$  --.

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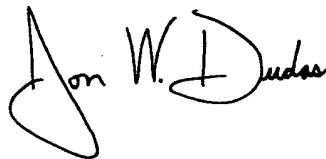
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